2355 JUVENILE PAROLE REVOCATION-SYSC

Chapter: **Sununu Youth Services Center** Section: **Release**



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All children, youth and families have strengths. Through the development and imposition of graduated sanctions, and consistent with public safety, the Division for Children, Youth and Families (DCYF), Juvenile Justice Services (JJS) and staff of the Sununu Youth Services Center (SYSC) promote personal accountability and acceptance of responsibility by youth on parole. The parole revocation process is an opportunity for the Division to support youth in providing immediate supports in the event they are unable to abide by their parole plan and to protect the public safety, prevent self-harm or ensure the youth is at subsequent hearings.

Purpose

To establish the Sununu Youth Services Center's (SYSC) procedure for parole revocation.

Definitions

- "CC" or "Clinical Coordinator" means the master level clinical therapist assigned to each youth at SYSC to conduct mental health and behavioral assessment, facilitate individual and family and group therapy, diagnose mental health conditions via DSM5, and create Focal Treatment planning for youth.
- **"DCYF"** or the **"Division"** means the Department of Health and Human Services' Division for Children, Youth and Families.
- "JPPO" or "Juvenile Probation and Parole Officer" means an employee of DCYF who is authorized by the Division to perform functions of the job classification Juvenile Probation and Parole Officer.
- "Juvenile Parole Board" or "Board" means the juvenile parole board established in RSA 170-H:3 that provides a means of rehabilitating youth who have been committed to the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services, without continued incarceration which demonstrates recognition of the need to protect the public from criminal acts by juvenile parolees.
- "Parole" means a conditional release from the custody of the department which allows a delinquent to serve the remainder of their commitment outside of an institution or facility operated by the Department, contingent upon compliance with the terms and conditions of parole as established by the Juvenile Parole Board (RSA 170-H:2 VII).
- **"SYSC"** or the **"John H. Sununu Youth Services Center,"** means the architecturally secure juvenile treatment facility administered by the Division for Children, Youth and Families for committed juveniles and for NH youth involved with the NH court system prior to their adjudication.

Policy

- Upon notification of a youth's return to SYSC due to revocation, the following shall occur:
 - Central Control shall notify the Supervisor On-Duty or the Admission's Supervisor (or the A. respective designee) of the youth's pending return;
 - B. SYSC staff shall coordinate the youth's transportation with the JPPO; and
 - The Supervisor On-Duty (or designee) shall ensure the SYSC Medical Department, Clinical C. Department, and Kitchen staff are also notified of the youth's return.
- II. Youth returned for an alleged violation of their Conditions of Parole must return through the Admission's Unit via the sally port in accordance with policies 2028 Admissions Procedure and 2029 Return of Committed Youth to SYSC.
 - Following the completion of the admissions process, youth shall be admitted to the Crisis A. Services Unit for a 24-hour observation period or until cleared by a Clinical Coordinator, Medical Staff, or SYSC Administrator.
 - B. Youth may resume programming in effect prior to their parole or be offered an individualized program based on case specific circumstances.
- III. SYSC staff familiar with the youth must attend the preliminary hearing.
- IV. Youth found to have probable cause to have violated their Conditions of Parole shall return and resume programming at the SYSC.
- ٧. Youth returned to the SYSC after a preliminary hearing will have a Revocation Hearing conducted by the Juvenile Parole Board within 10 business days of their return.
 - If parole is granted, a copy of the Parole Revocation Hearing Notice of Board Decision shall A. accompany the youth to Admissions for authorization for release.
 - B. Youth whose parole has been revoked shall resume programming at SYSC according to the provisions of Policy 2132 Clinical and Rehabilitative Services for Committed Youth; and
 - C. The youth's assigned Clinical Coordinator (CC) shall complete an updated Form 2138 Quarterly Review of Appropriateness of Continued Secure Care.

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